

and in this corner...

## The Challenger



Town Manager Peter Caputo has issued a challenge to the members of the Agawam Police Department. He intends to challenge the department to a shooting contest - time and date to be decided upon in the near future. The only stipulation Caputo noted was that the police officers must use the handguns they carry on duty. To the winner will go a barrel of beer. photo by Jack Devine.

## Fire Station 1 to Close-Services Streamlined

In an administrative action that will save the taxpayers approximately \$55,000, Town Manager Peter Caputo has ordered the closing of Fire Station Number 1, North Agawam, effective October 30, 1978.

In a five point report issued jointly by Caputo, Police Chief Stanley Chmielewski and Fire Chief Harry Schnieder, the men reported that excessive overtime pay has prompted requests for increased manpower. The report stated that "It has been determined that in the best interests of the community, no additional manpower is necessary." The alternative, Caputo said, was to close Fire Station Number 1 in North Agawam, and consolidate the available manpower in Stations 2 and 3. Caputo noted that Station 1 would still be used to house equipment, but would not be manned.

The three men agreed that in tests run by the fire department, "fire attack times" were calculated from the various stations to some of the farthest points in town. The test runs indicated that the emergency run time was

not substantially different from each of the three stations to the test locations. The attack times were as follows: to a hypothetical fire on King and River Streets, North Agawam: from Station 1, 1 min. 15 seconds; from Station 2, 3 min. 30 seconds; from Station 3, 3 min. 45 seconds. To a point at Maynard and James Streets from Station 1, 3 min. 16 seconds; from Station 2, 3 min. 52 seconds; from Station 3, 4 min. 45 seconds. To a hypothetical fire at Rowley and Keating Lane from Station 1, 3 min. 11 seconds; from Station 2, 3 min. 21 seconds; from Station 3, 4 min. 18 seconds. Caputo, Schnieder and Chmielewski all agreed that the safety of the people would not be jeopardized by the elimination of Station 1. All three commended the fire department for the excellent response times, and also commended the Police department who have been, and will continue to be first responders in all emergency situations.

Caputo said that during the test runs, which were false alarms set off by the town administration, "it took 20 to 30 seconds for them (the

firemen) to roll - this is the best time I've ever seen." Chief Schnieder noted that "they (the men) didn't know what we were doing. They did an excellent job."

All three men stressed the fact that the emergency fire service in the town will continue to be one of the best in this area, if not the state. "There will be no danger to the people or their homes," Caputo said.

Another part of the plan for streamlining and improving emergency services in Agawam in the placing of the ambulance and rescue service solely with the fire department, with the police acting as first responders and assisting when necessary.

Under this plan, Chief Schnieder has established cost proposals and manpower assignments which would supposedly save the town over \$50,000 per year in overtime while providing 100% manning of all emergency equipment while requiring no additional manpower or apparatus, his proposal, subject to negotiations with the firemen's union would call for 8 E.M.T.A.s assigned to the ambulance 24 hours per day on a 2 per shift basis; and two E.M.T.A.s assigned to

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## Southwick Water Rates to Remain at 90 Cents

by Linda McQuade

Southwick water rates will not be increasing as expected.

In a surprise move last Monday, water commissioners voted 2 to 1 to hold at the present rate of 90 cents per thousand gallons during the first year of operation of the town's independent water system.

Commissioner Lawrence Todd cast the only dissenting vote in what he called a "short-sighted move" and expressed fear that without sufficient revenue, the department could be forced to go to the town for funds to run the system.

The decision to retain the present rate was based on budget and revenue figures projected by the town accountant. All projections were based on the 90-cent rate and reflected a 7% increase in the operating account.

According to the figures, the projected 1980 budget for the Water Department is just under \$117,000, and the expected income at the 90-cent rate is just over \$133,000, leaving the department with a surplus of about \$16,000 for

the next fiscal year.

"I don't see any need to raise the rates to \$1 at this time," Commission Chairman Donald Spencer said. "We have about \$43,000 in surplus now. The 90-cent rate should carry us through. If we accumulated over \$70,000 in surplus, we'd have some explaining to do."

Todd said the increase to \$1 per thousand gallons consumption had been announced two years ago with the proposal for the independent system and that that rate had been voted on last month and was to go into effect with the October billing.

Our engineers projected a rate of at least 95¢ per thousand gallons to pay for our system," Todd contended. "You are basing your decision on only estimated figures. This will be our first year on the new system, and we don't know how much it will cost. I'd hate to see us run short and have to go to the selectmen for money."

Todd said the department should stay with the previously announced \$1 rate

for the first year of operation. "If after a year we come out with a large surplus, I'd be the first to suggest that we roll back the rate. The water department has always had a surplus to use in case of emergencies and for future improvements to the system."

Water Superintendent William Malone noted that the projected budget did not include funds for new equipment and stated that the department would need 25 to 30 new meters for the coming year.

Engineering consultant Philip Sheridan seesawed on the question of retaining the current rate. "I really don't remember figuring this kind of slack at the 90-cent rate. I thought it would be belt-tightening at 95 cents. Yet, water sales have since increased. I can see both sides. The excess funds could be used for further improvements to the system, but it would be a feather in your cap to be able to hold the rate at 90¢."

Water Commission has begun assessing liquidated damages against Encon, Inc. of Chicopee, the firm contracted to construct the pumping station and install the pump. Completion date for the station was September 15. Liquidated damages have been assessed at \$200 a day beginning Sept. 15 for a total of \$3,000 for the period ending Sept. 30. Another \$3,000 is expected to be assessed for the first 17 days of October.

Sheridan said he expected litigation on the matter, but felt the commission had the right to assess damages. "If there was anything ever justified, that is," he said.

## Woodburning Stove Seminar to be Conducted

The Town of Agawam Consumer Advisory Commission with the assistance of the Agawam Lions Club will be sponsoring a coal and woodburning stove seminar on Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam High School. Deputy Chief Russell Jenks of the fire department, Building Inspector Joseph Conte, and Inspector of Weights and Measures Louis Draghetti will serve on a panel to answer any consumer concerns regarding their

special department on the use of wood and coal as an energy source. The town officials will explain the safe installation, operations, and sales of coal and woodburning stoves along with the quality of wood and selection of stoves required to meet the needs of the individual purchaser.

Special guests on the panel will be Mike Parker, forester from the Mass. Department of Environmental Management. Forester Parker will

address the public on the qualities of wood and on the harvest of wood for fuel to improve the quality and growth rate of remaining trees so that valuable trees will be left for timber products.

Agawam town officials have prepared a free booklet in conjunction with the seminar covering all aspects of installation and operation of solid fuel heaters as well as purchases of stoves and fuel. The booklets will be available at the seminar.



Left to Right: Agawam Town Clerk Edward Caba, Agawam Town Council President Richard Theroux, State Rep. Edward Connelly, Agawam Town Manager Peter Caputo, and Mrs. Sue maiolo, owner of the new Riverside Rollaway, are shown at ribbon cutting ceremonies which celebrated the grand opening of the new roller rink on Main Street, Agawam. Riverside Rollaway, which is not affiliated with Riverside Park, is a new skating facility fashioned after the famed Riverside Roller Rink which was recently torn down to make room for a parking lot for Riverside Park. Mrs. maiolo, who was the manager of the old rink, decided to build her own skating ring-much to the delight of Agawam's residents. photo by Jack Devine.

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## Home Box Office Listings

Wednesday  
October 25

6:00 "OH, GOD!" (PG-1:44)  
8:00 \$1,000,000 DUCK (G-1:32)  
9:30 DAY FOR NIGHT (PG-1:54)  
11:30 JOSEPH ANDREWS (R-1:43)

Thursday  
October 26

6:00 On Location: MYRON COHEN REVISITED  
7:00 Special: UP CLOSE  
8:00 Football: INSIDE THE NFL  
9:00 THE OTHER SIDE OF MIDNIGHT (R-2:45)  
12:00 BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY (R-1:34)

Friday  
October 27

5:00 A MAN CALLED HORSE (PG-1:54)  
7:00 Football: INSIDE THE NFL  
8:00 Feature Showing: On Location: ROBIN WILLIAMS  
9:30 A SMALL TOWN IN TEXAS (PG-1:36)  
11:30 A MAN CALLED HORSE (PG-1:54)  
1:30 On Location: ROBIN WILLIAMS

Saturday  
October 28

3:30 "OH, GOD!" (PG-1:44)  
5:30 Football: INSIDE THE NFL  
6:30 Standing Room Only: PAUL AND HIS LADIES

8:00 Feature Showing: McO (PG-1:56)  
10:00 Feature Showing: FIRST LOVE (R-1:32)  
11:30 JOSEPH ANDREWS (R-1:43)  
1:15 BLACK OAK CONSPIRACY (R-1:34)

Sunday  
October 29

2:30 \$1,000,000 DUCK (G-1:32)  
4:00 FIRE SALE (PG-1:28)  
5:30 \$1,000,000 DUCK (G-1:32)  
7:00 Special: UP CLOSE  
8:00 Feature Showing: TELEFON (PG-1:43)  
10:00 Special: UP CLOSE  
11:00 ROLLING THUNDER (R-1:39)  
1:00 DAY FOR NIGHT (PG-1:54)

Monday  
October 30

5:30 RETURN OF A MAN CALLED HORSE (PG-2:09)  
8:00 On Location: ROBIN WILLIAMS  
9:30 BARBARELLA (PG-1:38)  
11:30 Special: BEST OF THE CHIPPERFIELD CIRCUS

Tuesday  
October 31

HALLOWEEN HORROR SHOW  
6:00 DAY OF THE ANIMALS (PG-1:37)  
8:00 ISLAND OF DR. MOREAU (PG-1:44)  
10:00 HOMEBODIES (PG-1:36)  
11:45 EMPIRE OF THE ANTS (PG-1:31)

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Sat-Sun Matinee "Bugsy Maloney" 2PM

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99¢

## Agawam Senior Center

Wright Street

10/23: Corned beef hash, spinach, peaches  
10/24: Golumkis, squash, cheese cake  
10/25: Baked beans, wieners, coleslaw, jello  
10/26: Beef short ribs, mashed potatoes, peas, ice cream  
10/27: Fish poached on vegetables, rice, lettuce, pudding  
10/30: Chicken croquettes, noodles, bean salad, apple sauce  
10/31: Golumkis, squash, jello  
10/31: Homecooked soup, fruit & cottage cheese salad, cookies  
11/1: Pork in sweet & sour sauce, mashed potatoes, spinach, pears - FILM  
11/2: Ravioli, lettuce, baked apple with vanilla sauce  
11/3: Creamed tuna in patty shells, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit

The date of the Diabetes clinic has been changed from November 8 to November 7. There will be no hypertension clinic on November 7 since the Diabetes Clinic was changed to this date. Be at the Center at 2:30 p.m. Please eat your normal breakfast, but eat the following lunch 2 hours before you come to the Center:

1 Cup orange juice  
1 bowl vegetable soup  
4 saltine crackers  
1 slice lunch meat or cheese  
2 slices bread with butter, margarine or mayonaise  
1/2 cup of vegetable or salad  
1 scoop of ice cream  
coffee or tea without caffeine

If you are a diabetic please disregard the above menu and take your regular diet.

Movie on Wednesday, Nov. 1 after lunch: "The Black Pirate" with Douglas Fairbanks. "Some of the best action ever seen on the screen. The sword duels are fantastic, exhilarating. The grace and agility of Fairbanks make it very clear why he excided the world as everyone's hero. A really great film!" 87 minutes long.

## Agawam Golden Agers

The Agawam Golden Agers Club held its last meeting on October 11 at the Senior Center. We were entertained by Elmyra Hamelin, who played her xylophone. Refreshments were also served. At our next meeting on October 25th, we will play Bingo.

## Southwick Senior Citizen News

The Southwick Council on Aging will sponsor a flu clinic on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. at the Senior Citizen Center on Juniper St. Dr. Kellogg will be the attending physician.

The move of the senior center to the new facility on Point Grove Road will take place on Friday, October 27. Due to this activity, all knitting classes and social activities regularly scheduled at the center on Fridays will be cancelled.

## School Lunch Menus

### Agawam School Lunch Menu

Wednesday-October 25-Apple juice, filet of haddock sandwich w/ tartar sauce or ketchup, creamy cole slaw, ice cream, milk.

Thursday-October 26-White meat turkey in gravy with whipped potatoes, buttered sweet peas & carrots, cranberry sauce, rye bread and butter, chocolate cake w/ vanilla icing, milk.

Friday-October 27-NO SCHOOL, TEACHERS CONVENTION.

Monday-October 30-Cup of tomato soup, toasted bologna and cheese sandwich on roll, buttered green beans, chilled pears in syrup, milk.

Tuesday-October 31-Chilled apple juice, hamburger on buttered roll, mustard or ketchup, tossed witches salad w/ french dressing, halloween cake w/ orange icing, milk.

Wednesday-November 1-Baked hamburger & macaroni w/ spaghetti sauce, buttered italian bread, creamy cabbage & carrot salad, cherry jello w/ whip topping, milk.

Thursday-November 2-White meat turkey in gravy on whipped potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered peas & carrots, rye bread & butter, ginger bread w/ whip topping, milk. (note: junior and senior high will have roast chicken)

Friday-November 3-1/2 tuna salad sandwich, 1/2 peanut butter sandwich, fresh carrot sticks, oven french fries, ice cream, milk.

### Southwick School Lunch Menu

Wednesday-October 25-Hamburger on bun, catsup, mustard and dill slices, french fries, lettuce and tomato salad, cookies, milk.

Thursday-October 26-Beef chow mein w/ noodles, buttered mixed vegetables, chollid applesauce, bread and butter, milk.

Friday-October 27-NO SCHOOL, TEACHERS CONVENTION.

Monday-October 30-Oven baked frankfurter w/ buttered roll, mustard, catsup and sweet relish, french fries, chilled fruit, milk.

Tuesday-October 31-Homemade Beef Stew, saltines, cheese cube, bread & butter, pudding w/ topping, milk.

Wednesday-November 1-Tacos w/ lettuce, tomatoes and cheese, buttered hot vegetables, jello w/ fruit, bread & butter, milk.

Thursday-November 2-Ham and cheese grinder w/ lettuce and tomatoes, buttered peas and carrots, chilled applesauce w/ cinnamon, milk.

Friday-November 3-Cheese pizza, buttered whole kernel corn, pear salad on lettuce leaf, cookies, bread & butter, milk.

## Amherst Ballet to Perform at Granger School

The Amherst Ballet Theater Company, directed by Therese Brady Donahue, will perform its children's ballet, "The Golden Goose," at Granger School, Feeding Hills, on November 3, 1978. The company specializes in in-school touring programs at the elementary level and a choice of ballets for the junior and senior high schools as part of an enrichment program for young people. All ballets are fully costumed with simple scenery. Program preparation will be available to the children prior to the performance. "The Golden Goose" production will be seen in other elementary schools in Agawam and Southwick at later dates.

## Parenting Program

Parenting has never been easy. Today, outside forces such as TV, schools, and peer pressure make it even more difficult.

The Hampden County Extension Service will sponsor a two-part program "Towards Better Parenting" at the Extension Office, 1499 Memorial Ave., West Springfield on Thursday mornings, Nov. 2 and 9 from 9:30 to 11:30. The sessions are free and open to the public regardless of race, color, or national origin.

Shirley Miettlicki, regional extension specialist in human development and family life, will help you develop more effective skills in communicating with your child. You'll learn about "I" messages, problem-solving techniques, roadblocks to communication, and methods for improving your listening skills. Join us!

## GINO'S LIQUORS

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### Specials of the Week

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\$13.99 Case

BEER

Schaefer 12 oz. N/R \$5.75 Case

Schmidt 12 oz. N/R \$5.50 Case

Piel's Real Draft 12 oz. cans \$4.89 Case

WINE

Allini Lambrusco \$1.39 fifth  
\$2.69 magnum

Borgnino Spumonti \$2.99 fifth

LIQUOR

Schenley Gin 90° quart \$5.39

PM Whiskey 1.75 litre \$9.95

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Dubuque All-Beef Franks \$1.29 lb.

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Sweet Life Apple Cider 64 oz. btl. 89c

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Chicken of the Sea Chunk light tuna in water 59c

Welchade Grape Drink 46 oz. can 2/89c

Miracle Whip Salad Dressing qt. 99c

Skippy Creamy Peanut Butter 18 oz. jar 99c

Vanity Fair Toilet Tissue 6 pack 99c

WITH \$10.00 PURCHASE

Nabisco Oreo Cookies 15 oz. pkg. 79c

WITH \$10.00 PURCHASE

Domino Confectionary Sugar 3 lbs. / \$1.00

WITH \$10.00 PURCHASE

Chock Full O'Nuts Coffee \$1.99 lb.

WITH \$10.00 PURCHASE



## Agawam Repertory Theatre to Present *You Know I Can't Hear You When The Waters Running*



Dany Texeira of Agawam appeals to his daughter, played by Mary Gormally, when wife Edith (Alice Jones of Agawam) points an accusing finger at him. The scene is a rehearsal from the Agawam Repertory Theatre production of *You Know I Can't Hear You When The Water's Running*, which will run November 9-12 at the Yankee Pedlar Opera House in Holyoke.

Communication—or rather the lack of it—is the theme of Robert Anderson's *You Know I Can't Hear You When The Water's Running*, which will be performed by the Agawam Repertory Theatre November 9-12 at the Yankee Pedlar Opera House, Holyoke.

The four one-act comedies will be directed by Milton Rubin, a popular director among local community theatre groups. In addition, Rubin is Festival Chairman and a member of the Board of Community Theatre Association.

In *The Shock of Recognition*, a playwright (David Finkelstein) and a producer (John Lundberg) "communicate" with an aspiring actor about a role which is so "unusual" that it makes even the producer's assistant (Kathleen Ennis) blush.

*The Footsteps of Doves* is about a husband, a wife, and a bed. The husband (Arnold Woods) comes round to his wife's (Linda Kapinos) way of

thinking after "communicating" with another woman (Lauren Jaroslow). The salesman is played by Schuyler Williams.

Chuck (Danny Texeira) and Edith (Alice Jones) have problems "communicating" not only with each other but also with their children. Daughter Clarice is played by Mary Gormally in this segment entitled *I'll Be Home For Christmas*.

A humorous "communication" between Muriel (Charlotte West) and Herbert (Galen Davis), and elderly couple, occurs during a period of reminiscence in *I'm Herbert*.

The November 12 performance has a 7:30 p.m. curtain; all other performances begin at 8:30 p.m. Performances are preceded by a social hour.

Coupons for specially priced dinners at the Yankee Pedlar are available only from ART members. Reservations for the performance only are available by calling 732-7169.

## New Friendly's Manager Completes Orientation



Kenneth R. Rieck of Merrill Road, Springfield, has recently completed a two-day Manager Orientation Program conducted at the

Friendly corporate headquarters in Wilbraham. He is the manager of the Friendly restaurant on Springfield St., Agawam.

The purpose of this session is to help insure a smooth transition into shop management and to acquaint new Friendly managers with the firm's extensive facilities and the specific functions of the support departments. Extensive training courses are given to management personnel as an effort to effectively acquaint the new manager with his role.

While attending the orientation program, the new manager group toured the Friendly facilities which supply over 600 Friendly restaurants with a wide assortment of menu and ice cream products.

## Fourteen Agawam Councilmen Endorse Connelly

Fourteen of Agawam's present town councilmen today endorsed the re-election efforts of Edward W. Connelly.

These councilmen are Francis Colli, Fred Nardi, William Herd, John Bartnik, John McNamara, Kenneth Barnes, Fred Serra, Richard Theroux, Dennis Roberts, Donald Laduzewski, Paul Paleologopoulos, Paul Fieldstad, Floyd Landers, and Stephen Cincotta. (The remaining councilman, a federal employee, is restricted from involvement in partisan politics.)

As individuals the councilmen acclaimed Rep. Connelly's efforts on behalf of the town during his tenure in office. They cited his successful liaison work

between the local and state governments.

Councilman Francis Colli, precinct one, pointed out that "Ed Connelly obviously has the ability to work with both Democrats and Republicans in the House of Representatives."

Council President Richard Theroux said that he was "pleased to join with his colleagues in support of Connelly" and that Rep. Connelly's position on the powerful Ways and Means Committee has worked to the advantage of the people he represents.

Others cited Connelly's experience in local government which they believe is a requisite for serving in the legislature.

Political Advertisement

## VOTERS OF THE 3D HAMPDEN DISTRICT

Agawam, Blandford,  
Chester, Granville, Montgomery, Russell, Southwick, Tolland

**ED CONNELLY** was appointed one of 3 House members to the Conference Committee to resolve the Mass. Budget.

**ED CONNELLY** supported and fought for full reimbursement to Regional Schools.

**ED CONNELLY** supported and fought for State assumption of court costs.

**ED CONNELLY** supported and fought for revision of the School Aid formula.

**ED CONNELLY** supported and fought for return of 300 million dollars to the Cities and Towns.

## RESULT:

### INCREASED STATE AID OVER LAST YEAR

|            |             |         |
|------------|-------------|---------|
| Agawam     | \$1,058,525 | UP 52%  |
| Blandford  | 96,624      | UP 89%  |
| Chester    | 69,172      | UP 41%  |
| Granville  | 30,519      | UP 18%  |
| Montgomery | 57,550      | UP 131% |
| Russell    | 69,935      | UP 42%  |
| Southwick  | 197,778     | UP 17%  |
| Tolland    | 28,632      | UP 22%  |

*Vote for and Re-elect*

# Rep. ED CONNELLY

*A Man With CREDIBILITY*

*A Man Who Can Truly Represent His District*

Richard S. Brindle, 48 Barney St., Agawam

## Agawam Woman's Play Presented in Longmeadow



Beatrice Russell and Mary Ellen Dawson exchanging clawing remarks in a scene from *Tempest in Camelot* an original comedy by Eleanor Raleigh of Agawam to be presented by the Longmeadow Encore Players at the Community House. Last two performances of the play will be October 28th and 29th. It is a spoof on the Washington scene in 1961 when the victorious Democrats are rejoicing and Nixon is retrenching. Others in the cast are: Don Yankee, Al D'Amico, Connie Bonneau, Fred Connor, Dave Birnel, Ted Roupas, Verne Cole and Alice Gostyn. Jean Burns is directing. For reservations call 567-3349 or 567-0022. Tickets may also be purchased at Gilbert's Book & Stationery Shop and Bart Jewlers in Longmeadow Shopping Center.



## CANDIDATES CORNER

Ed's Note: The 'Candidates Corner' which appears below, and which appeared in last week's edition contains *unedited* statements written by the candidates for purposes of publication.

### Control Spending

by Rep. Edward Connelly

The importance of the message contained in California's "Proposition 13" should not be lost or wasted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and all of its cities and towns.

The immediate results in California boil down to \$7 billion of "tax relief." We find \$4.5 billion given to corporations and \$2.5 billion going to homeowners. Of the \$4.5 billion, \$3 billion went to corporations

headquartered outside of California. That state also will lose some \$2 billion in federal reimbursements for programs which are discontinued. It is possible that "relief" will become "dilemma."

I firmly believe that the message is clear; however, that unbridled spending must stop at the state level, the local level, and hopefully, at the federal level.

The only real mechanism we have to control spending is

to control revenue. If the basic message sinks in, everyone should be in agreement that programs now in effect which prove to be worthless beyond maintaining a mini-bureaucracy must be discontinued.

Everyone should be in agreement that the need for the temporary five-year tax plan passed in 1975 must come to an end as the legislature intended, to wit June 30, 1980. We prevented a "Big Apple" in Mass., paid off an unusual indebtedness, sparked the economy, and have witnessed justification of an action designed to save Massachusetts.

Our next course of action is to prevent a runaway economy which will in itself incubate new services and new spending. An initial step must be insistence by the legislature that all state and local taxes combined must be limited to a percentage of total personal

income. A major fault of the regressive property tax system lies in the fact that it's completely unrelated and subject to changing markets in home sales. I believe this is one step which must be taken in order to control spending by decreasing available revenue.

### More on

### Question 1

by Joseph DellaGuistina

Question 1 on the November ballot, the Classification Amendment, is the only way to stop the 100% property valuation that is now facing us. If Question 1 is defeated, our real estate taxes will jump at least 15%. In the case of Russell, taxes will skyrocket 107%! In Granville, 91%!

I will be running the "Vote Yes on Question 1 Campaign" in the Third Hampden District with the help of Fair Share and CPPAX. Question 1 has become a major concern of my State Representative campaign because my Republican opponent, Edward Connelly, is the person who sponsored the 100% Property Valuation Enforcement Bill.

## Cribbage Tournament at Dante Club

The second annual Dante Club Cribbage Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 12 beginning at 9 a.m. The event will be held at the Dante Club at the corner of Memorial Ave. and Baldwin St., West Springfield.

The Dante Club, as sponsor, is anticipating a full field of entrants with a cut-off of 128 players. The tournament is open to anyone on a first come, first serve basis as determined by receipt of entry blanks and fees. There will be cash prizes and awards along with coffee and donuts. First prize will be \$200, second will be \$150, with third and fourth receiving \$100 and \$50 respectively.

The tournament will consist of two out of three games per match on a double elimination basis. The two finalists will play three out of five games for the championship. This event will be run under tournament rules and qualified judges and scorers will preside. All entrants are requested to be present at 8:30 a.m. for a brief orientation.

The tournament has all the promises of being an overwhelming success, and all cribbage enthusiasts who are considering entering are advised to do so immediately to avoid getting shut out. Send your name, address, and phone number along with your entry fee of \$6 by Nov. 4 to Dante Club, Memorial Ave. West Springfield, MA 01089. Attention: Tom Fiorini

In addition, Mr. Connelly voted not once, but five times against the Classification Amendment! I have these roll call votes for public display. (Roll Call 226, 322, 409, 415, and 416) Since four of these roll call votes were this summer, that means Mr. Connelly voted against Question 1 only three months ago. Yet nine days ago he stated he sponsored the bill! (Classification)

The people's consumer group Fair Share has worked hard to get the legislature to pass the classification Amendment Bill, Question 1. I strongly support their efforts, their coalition with CPPAX and the efforts of the local chapter of the National Taxpayers Union. I urge everyone to vote yes on Question 1 so we can stop legislation like the Connelly Bill.

The Third Hampden District consists of Agawam, Southwick, Blandford, Chester, Granville, Montgomery, Russell, and Tolland.

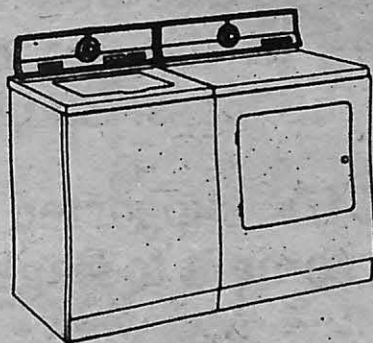
## Special Fall Savings Sale

October 14-28, 1978

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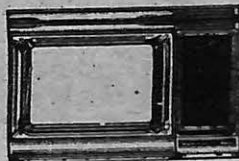
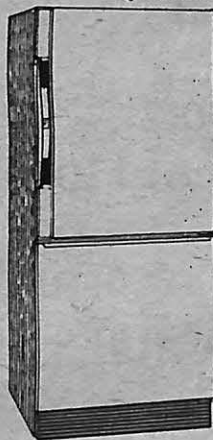
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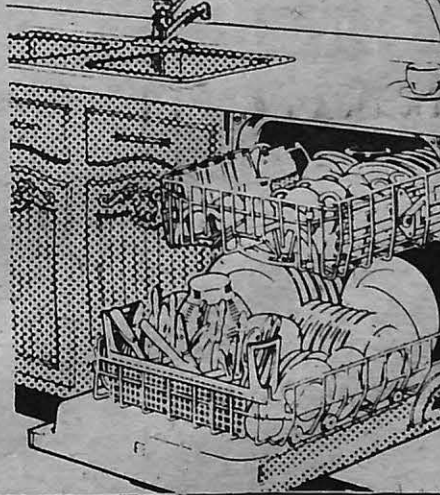
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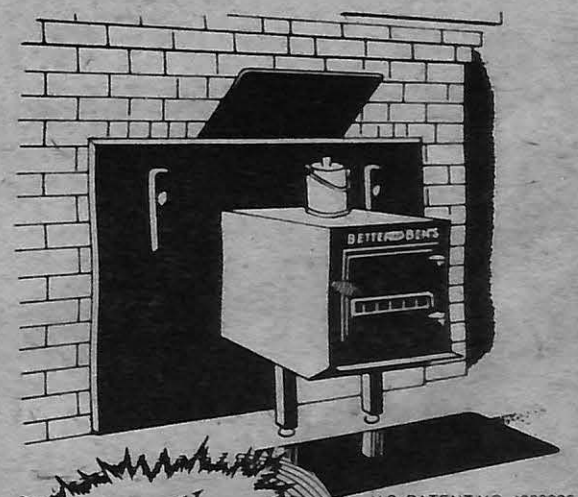
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## Our Feathered Friends

by Mary Os

The state bird of Massachusetts, the Black-capped Chickadee, is one of the most engaging feeding-station guests. The black and bib set off by the white cheeks and dull white breast are his trademark. This plump little acrobat is only four and three-quarter inches long, but a bundle of energy. His wings are faintly edged with white. The female and immature resemble the adult male.

Not until 1834 did Audubon realize that there were two species of chickadees in the eastern part of the United States. It was then realized that the Carolina Chickadees were a different species. Slightly smaller, these southern birds have less white on their wings. Their call is also slightly different. Because the two species compete, they are not found together within the same area. Here in Western Massachusetts, we have a solid population of Black-capped Chickadees.

The Black-capped Chickadee does not migrate in the true sense and is a constant resident of the New England states and others. The chickadee is at the center of a small flock of birds which roams woodlands and gardens during the winter months. He befriends woodpeckers, nuthatches, creepers, kinglets, and even freedom-finding parakeets. He is an engaging little fellow and, rightfully, the inspiration for the endearment, "my little chickadee."

Many birders believe the chickadee to be the most easily tamed of all wild birds. Two years ago I set out to prove this to my own satisfaction. I began by standing motionless about ten feet from the feeder for twenty minutes at a time. Each session I closed the distance between myself and the feeder until I was standing right next to it. Only the chickadees dared to approach as I stood there. With a fistful of sunflower seed, I offered my open hand at a level equal with the feeder. One daring

fellow was soon snatching seeds and fleeing to a nearby bush to eat them. It was not long before two, and sometimes three, birds were eating from my hand without seeking the security of the bush. It was a rewarding, although chilling experience.

Chickadees flourish in deciduous and mixed forests as well as in open woodland. Their call is a distinctive "chick-a-dee-dee-dee" or a simple "dee-dee-dee" during the winter months. As spring approaches, they change their tune to a whistled "fee-bee" with the second note distinctly lower.

In the spring, the chickadees abandon the flock and pair off for mating. They build their nests of grass, hair, feathers, twigs, and plant fiber in a rotted tree stump or limb. A pear-shaped cavity is pecked out by both male and female unless the couple selects a natural cavity or a man-made birdhouse. The female lays from five to eight brown-speckled white eggs approximately .6 X .5 inches in size. The domesticated male chickadee sometimes sits on the incubating eggs and later helps feed the young.

Chickadees will eat a variety of items from suet to nuts. They are entertaining to watch, and it is well worth your while to cultivate their friendship.

## Jaycee-ettes Halloween Parade Scheduled

Chief of Police Stanley Chmielewski will be leading the line of march at the Agawam Jaycee-ettes Halloween Parade to be held Sunday, October 29th. Starting time is 1:30 p.m. at the Agawam Middle School.

Other guests marching will be Agawam's own Great Pumpkin, Count Dracula, and "The Witch." The Shrine clowns, the Safety Bug, and Miss Pioneer Valley will also be on hand to join in the fun.

Music will be provided by the Agawam Middle School Band and the antique firetruck from Fire District No. 2 will be available for viewing.

Refreshments and prizes will be distributed at the Agawam Food Mart parking lot. Special prizes will be awarded for the ten best costumes. Entertainment will also be provided.

This is the Jaycee-ettes' sixth year sponsoring the parade, and it promises to be better than ever.

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# Social

## Jaycee's Haunted House Returns This Week

The Agawam Jaycees will sponsor their fourth "Haunted House" during the Halloween season, with the opening scheduled for Thursday, October 26th at 6:30 p.m. The project will be run at the Southgate Plaza through the generosity of Jack Stanley, president of Good Hope Industries.

The often controversial displays are all new and more horrifying than ever. This year's version of the "Haunted House" will offer a maze in

addition to its annual fare of monsters and assorted creatures. Billed as entertainment for the entire family, the "Haunted House" will be open daily through Halloween night (see schedule of hours in this newspaper).

The "Haunted House" joins an ambitious Halloween program sponsored by Jaycees and Jaycee-ettes, including the Haunted House Coloring Contest, Halloween Parade, and assistance with the C.A.S.H. festivities.

## St. David's Church Bazaar

The public is invited to attend an "Old Fashioned Christmas Bazaar" to be held November 17 and 18 at St. David's Episcopal Church parish hall, 522 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. The Bazaar will open Friday evening at 7:00 and close at 9:30. They will open Saturday from 10 to 4 p.m. This year's bazaar will offer many handmade items to provide the Christmas shopper with an attractive choice of gifts. Many dollar items will be available. Special features include new games and puzzles, tree ornaments, mittens and baked goods.

Co-chairmen for this event are Arlene Davis and Lynn Plakias. Luncheon chairman is Mrs. Toni Bulson and Ms. Nancy Tyler is handling decorations. Mrs. Norma Turcotte is handling publicity.

## Chriscola to Receive "Outstanding Community Service" Award

Frank Chriscola, Jr. will be the third recipient of the award for citizen who has performed outstanding service to the community given by the Agawam Chapter of UNICO. The award will be presented at Agawam UNICO's seventeenth annual dinner-dance at Chez Josef on Saturday, Nov. 4. Presenting the award will be UNICO President Thomas H. Coppola and Dinner-Dance Chairman James V. Bruno, Jr.

Frank Chriscola is a lifelong resident of Agawam who was educated in Agawam schools. He is married to the former Josephine Cecchi and has two daughters, Joyce of Bloomfield, Conn. and Janet Wise of Clifton, N.Y., and one grandchild, Amy Wise.



Frank Chriscola, Jr.

In 1928, Chriscola went into business with his late brother Andrew as a dealer for International Harvester farm equipment at a place on Suffield Street, and they are still there. They feature farm and industrial tractors and have expanded to include household appliances and McCormick farm equipment. They also service what they sell. Just recently, Chriscola was honored by receiving the 50-year dealer award from International Harvester.

Chriscola has been very active in town affairs. He was on the Agawam Board of Selectmen for five years, serving as chairman for two years. He is a past president of the Hampden County Selectmen's Association. He was on the School Building Committee for the James Clark Elementary School and also was on the committee for the Agawam Recreational Survey. Chriscola was state appointee under three different governors to the

Agawam Housing Authority and is presently serving his third 5-year term.

Chriscola was instrumental in bringing the first Senior Citizens Center to Agawam, one that is enjoyed by many senior citizens who are proud to boast of their fine center.

Chriscola is a retired member of the Park West Band and Trust Co. board of directors and is also a corporator of Westfield Savings Bank.

Chriscola is still very active in several clubs and as a member of St. John the Evangelist Church. He still finds time to give freely of his services for community and civic affairs as well as for charitable causes.

Tickets for the dinner dance may be obtained by contacting Ticket Chairman Joe Masucci at 786-8026.

see related photo page 8

## Danahy PTO Bake Sale

The Danahy School PTO will hold its annual Bake Sale on Election Day, Nov. 7th, in the school cafeteria. This year, as in the past, there will be many delectable treats to suit everyone's tastes. Plan to stop by the school and pick up some goodies. Co-chairmen are Susan Grise, Lucie Gallant, and Clarice Burnett.

## Pack 78 to Meet

Cub Scout Pack 78 of the Polish American Club will hold its first Pack Meeting on Wednesday, October 25 at the Polish American Club, Southwick St., Feeding Hills. The newly formed pack welcomes any boy between the ages of 8 and 10 to join them. The meeting will begin promptly at 7 p.m. and parents are urged to attend along with their boys. Refreshments will be served.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 24, 1978

Agawam Historical Association Meeting  
Captain Charles Leonard House  
7:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 26, 1978

Ladies Aid Society of the Agawam  
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Chicken Pie Supper  
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OCTOBER 28, 1978

VFW Halloween Party  
VFW Post 872  
Point Grove Rd., Southwick  
7:30 p.m. - Midnight

OCTOBER 28, 1978

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## Danahy PTO to Meet

Dr. Sam Femiano, director of Span Center in Agawam for the past 3½ years, will be the guest speaker at the Danahy School PTO meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 1st at 7:30 p.m. The topic of the evening will be "Communication with our Children." We have all experienced problems because of the gaps in communication or misunderstandings. Dr. Femiano will demonstrate ways of overcoming these difficulties.

The program, which will begin at 8 p.m. after a short business meeting, is open to the public.

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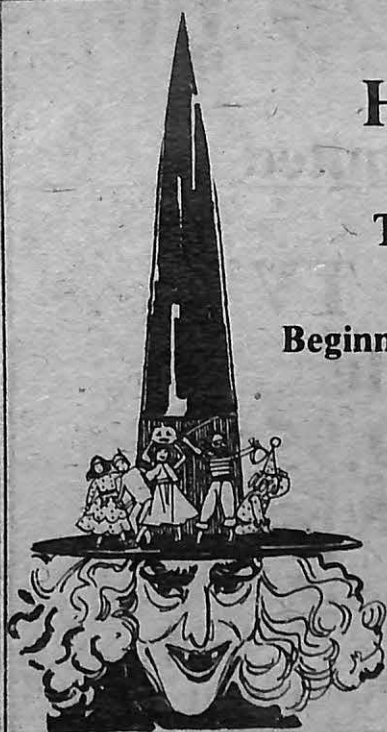
Sun., Oct. 29th 3:00-9:00PM

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Winners in the Agawam Middle School's Social Studies Fair are shown above. Front row, left to right: John Spellacy, Mark Tessicini, Carolyn Rosner, and Dave DeMatteo. Second Row, same order: Susan Feil, Dawn Hesse, Shawn Uschmann, and Tom Sunstrom. Third row, same order: Deena Psholka, Chris Langone, Dean Leclerc, Allen Nofall, and Edward Borgatti. photo by Jack Devine.

## United Nations Social Studies Fair Held at Middle School

The Agawam Middle School recently held its third annual United Nations Social Studies Fair. Over 400 seventh grade students participated in this year's fair under the direction of social studies teachers Mr. Farrell, Mr. Dacey, and Mrs. Casal.

The projects were exhibited Tuesday, Oct. 10 in conjunction with the school's annual Parents' Night. It was an opportunity for parents to view the projects as well as meet their children's teachers.

Trophies were awarded to those students whose projects

were judged to be of excellent quality. The fair was a great success and a valuable learning experience for all those who participated. The winners were Edward Borgatti, David DeMatteo, Susan Feil, Dawn Hesse, Chris Langone, Dean Leclerc, Allen Nofall, Deena Psholka, Carolyn Rosner, John Spellacy, Thomas Sunstrom, Mark Tessicini, and Shawn Uschmann.

The fair is held each year to commemorate United Nations Day, which is Oct. 24.

## Agawam Garden Club to Hold Annual Banquet

The Agawam Garden Club will hold its annual banquet on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at the Silver Carriage Inn, Main Street, Agawam. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. A business meeting will follow with installation of new officers for 1979. Reservations must be made in advance by calling Judy Clini at 786-3736 or Betty Tefs at 786-9442. All reservations must be in on or before Nov. 8th. All members are urged to bring their spouses or a friend.

The speaker for the evening's entertainment will be Dr. George H. Nieske, DDS, from Wilbraham. His

program consists of a series of colored slides showing some of the natural beauty of our environment. The subjects are found locally and many of them are frequently passed by. The photographs will include many wildflowers, some mushrooms, lichens, and insects. Both normal and close-up photographic techniques were used. The title of his program is "A Glimpse of Nature." Dr. Nieske has been active for the past eight years in nature photography as a member of several camera clubs. He has presented programs at Mass. Audubon's Focus:Outdoors in 1974 and 1976 and at the

N.E. Camera Club Council Conference in 1975. A member of the national Photographic Society of America, Dr. Nieske has a five star rating in international nature exhibitions. He was one of the judges at the Audubon International Exhibitions of Nature Photography in October, 1976 and participated in the program at the PSA International Convention in Detroit in 1977.

Remember to make your reservations early, and we hope to see you all that evening.

## Troop 79 to Meet

Boy Scout Troop 79 is making bird houses for the senior citizens at Meadow Brook Manor, but they are in need of wood. If you have any pieces of scrap lumber of any size and are willing to donate for this project, please call Bryan Kinsley at 786-2739 after 4 p.m. during the week and at any time on weekends. This wood would be picked up and greatly appreciated.

## Pack 75 to Meet

Cub Scout Pack 75 of Sacred Heart Parish will hold a Halloween pack meeting on October 29th at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Cub Scouts will be dressed in costumes and games will be played and refreshments served.

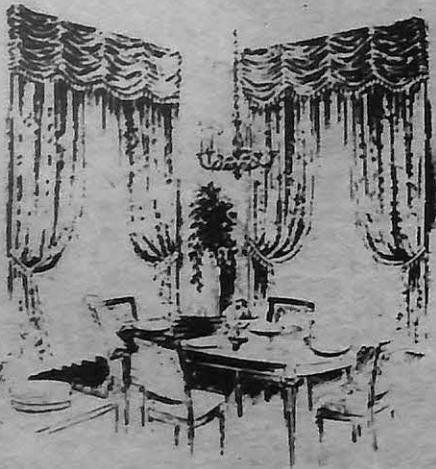


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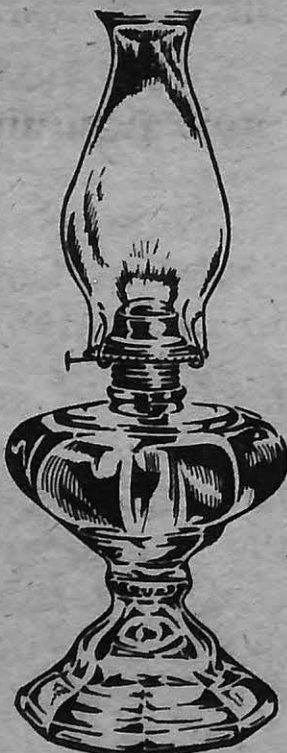


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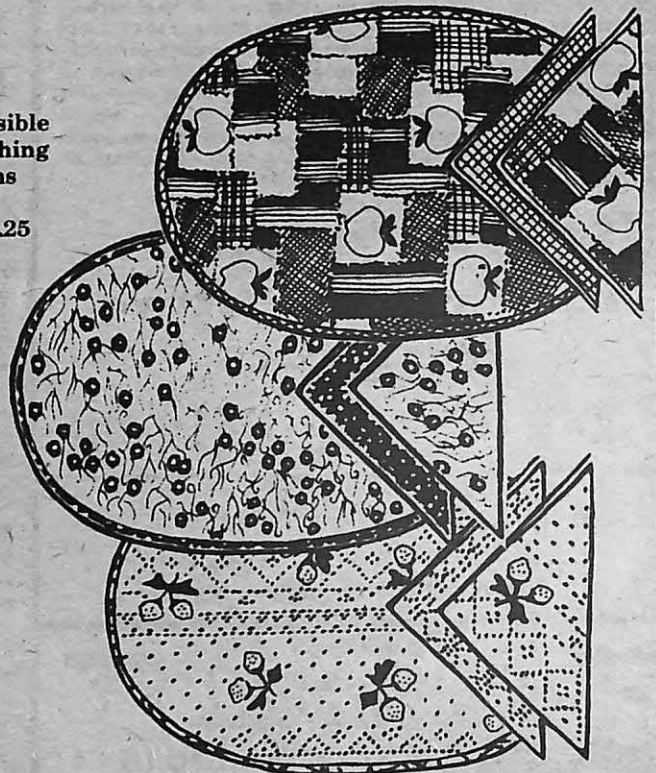
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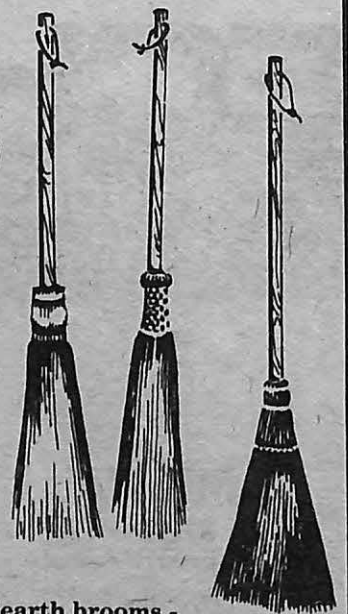
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community and their property by beautifying their mailboxes. Prospective contestants may contact Mrs. Venturini at 786-8160 or Mrs. Barbara O'Connor at 786-6772. Prizes will be awarded on Nov. 11th.

## Gridiron Moms Say 'Thanks'

The macaroni dinner sponsored by the Agawam Gridiron Mothers held last October 13 was a great success. The organization plans to use the proceeds from this dinner, which were \$676, for their scholarship fund to benefit members of the Agawam High School football team. The Gridiron Mothers would like to express their sincere thanks to the following people for their donations: Fred Nardi, general manager of Sweet Life foods; Jim Malony, manager at Agawam Food Mart; William Janulewicz, president of the Polish-American Club; Ed Dahdah of Dayga Printing; Agawam High School art department; Phil Cardone of the Agawam Public Market; Dom Shaer of Shaer's Market; Suffriti family of Feeding Hills Public Market; Al Christopher, the "Corn King"; Joe Barbato Farms; Wieland's Market; John Cardone; and to H.P. Hood. They wish to especially thank Chefs Ray Saracino and Jim Marmo and Coach Jack Michalak and his staff for their cooperation. The organization extends particular thanks to all of the Gridiron Moms and Dads and to the *Agawam Advertiser/News*.



Making plans for the Agawam Chapter of UNICO National's 17th annual dinner dance at Chez Josef, Agawam are from left to right: UNICO President Thomas H. Coppola, Frank Chriscola Jr., Paul D'Amato, and James V. Bruno Sr. The dinner dance will be held on Saturday, November 4 to help the organization raise funds for scholarships, mental health projects and camperships. photo by Jack Devine. see related story page 6

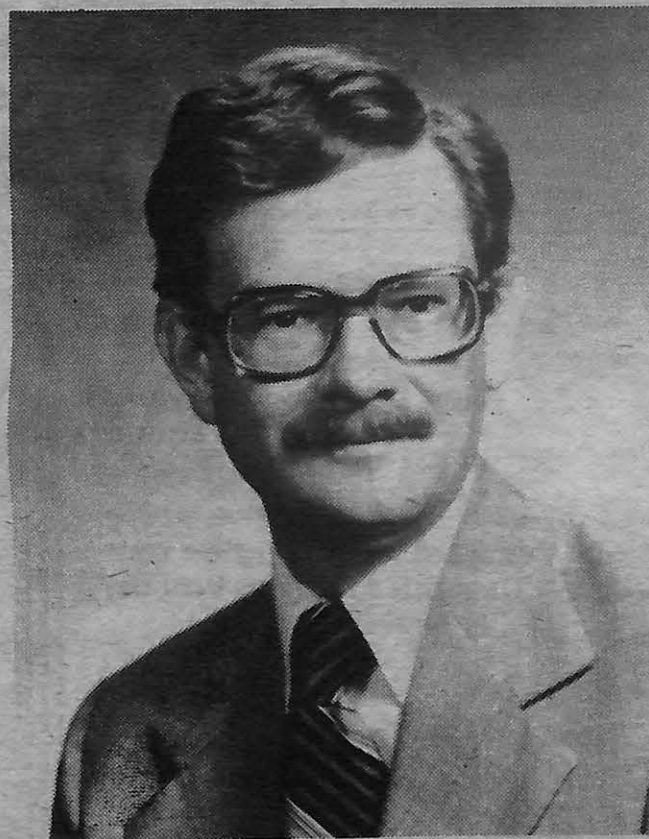
## Annual Dinner-Dance Planned by UNICO

The Agawam Chapter of UNICO will hold its 17th annual dinner-dance, open to the public, on Saturday, November 1, 1978 at Chez Josef, Shoemaker Lane, Agawam. The social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will feature both cold and hot hors d'oeuvres. A complete roast beef dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. John Balboni will provide the dinner music. Dancing will begin at 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. with the Capris band.

UNICO president Thomas Coppola has appointed James V. Bruno Jr. as dinner-dance chairman. The program book committee members are: Frank Chriscola Jr., Albert A. Malone, Winifred Corriveau, James Bruno, Joseph Masucci, Paul Ferrarini and Paul D'Amato. Anyone wishing to place an ad or be listed as a patron is asked to call Mr. Coppola at 786-3535. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the organization, at Gino's Package Store, Walnut Street Ext., Agawam Shopping Center, Malone's Garden Center, Silver Street, Agawam, or from ticket chairman Joseph Masucci at 786-8026.

Proceeds from the dinner will be used for the many charitable endeavors the chapter is involved in. To date, Agawam UNICO has given \$23,000 in scholarship monies to Agawam students furthering their education.

## William Schoenborn Promoted at Belcher Ad Agency



William Schoenborn

William Schoenborn has been promoted to operations manager and media director. Schoenborn has an extensive background in radio and television, as well as in print.

He was associated with WSPR in Springfield for

many years as air personality "Bill Sterling." Prior to this, he worked for radio stations in Fitchburg, Mass. and Fairfax, Virginia and WTTG, Channel 5 television in Washington, D.C.

Schoenborn joined Belcher Advertising in 1977 as production manager, responsible for traffic and electronic production. His work on Community Savings Bank's radio and television commercials won the Belcher Advertising Agency recognition with several awards from the Advertising Club of Western Massachusetts last April.

Schoenborn attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute studying electrical engineering and marketing and is currently attending UMASS through continuing education for a degree in marketing communications.

He resides in Agawam with his wife and two children.

## Disco at Y

The Springfield YMCA will be offering instruction in Disco Dancing beginning November 8. This four week beginner class will take place on Wednesdays from 8 to 9:30 p.m. For more information, contact Tina at the Y today at 739-6951.

## Robinson Park School Open House

Fall Open House at Robinson Park School will take place on Thursday, October 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. A short business meeting of the PTO will be followed by visits to the classrooms for informal discussions between teachers and parents as to the year's curriculum. Displays of the children's work and of the books and materials to be used throughout the year will add to the information available to parents.

In conjunction with the Open House, the PTO will hold a Bake Sale to help raise funds for its annual gifts donated to the school. Also available for purchase will be Robinson Park School sweatshirts and school bags.

If you have a child at Robinson Park School, be sure to set Oct. 26th as a definite date to attend this most informative evening.

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# What is Diabetes?

The sugars and starches in foods are converted to a form of sugar called glucose. The blood stream distributes this glucose to the body cells where, with the aid of insulin, it is converted to ready energy or stored for future use. Insulin is a natural hormone produced by the pancreas, a large gland situated behind the stomach.

When diabetes develops, the pancreas is either unable to produce any extra insulin, or to produce it on time, or to produce enough insulin which is effective. The result is an accumulation of glucose in the blood until some of the surplus is eliminated by the kidneys and passed off as part of urine. Hence, sugar in the urine and too much sugar in the blood are signs of diabetes. Also, there is much evidence that the high sugar level in the blood directly causes damage to eyes, kidneys, and nerves.

**HOW DOES ONE GET DIABETES?** The heredity factor - Blood relatives of diabetics have a higher risk of developing the disease, and the risk increases if the disease is present on both sides of the family. Frequently, there may be no family history of the disease.

Other basic factors associated with the onset of diabetes are many. Age: The chance of developing diabetes doubles with every decade of life. About 90% of diabetics are between the ages of 35 and 60 when diagnosed. Sex: Women may be more likely than men to have diabetes. Obesity: The

chance of developing doubles with every 20% of excess weight. Income: Individuals with income less than \$5,000 per year are three times more likely to have diabetes than higher income people. Non-whites: In the United States, this group is 20% more likely than Whites to have diabetes.

**SYMPTOMS FROM HIGH BLOOD SUGAR.** Some of these are excessive thirst, excessive urination, weight loss, increased appetite, easy tiring, changes in vision, intense itching, and drowsiness.

Children usually exhibit dramatic and sudden symptoms when the disease develops. Many adults may have diabetes with none of these symptoms, and the disease is often discovered during routine physical examinations when some of the blood vessel complications of the disease, or an unexpected high blood sugar, are found.

**PREVALENCE.** The incidence of the disease appears to be increasing by 6% per year. At this rate, an American born today, living an average life span of 70 years, has a better than one-in-five chance of developing diabetes unless a cure or prevention is found. This means that at the current rate of increase, the number of Americans with diabetes would double every 15 years.

Diabetes now affects 10 million Americans directly and an estimated 50 million indirectly, because it becomes a family-oriented disease.

A free Diabetic Screening Clinic open to all residents of Agawam will be conducted November 7th. The Clinic will be held at the Senior Center on Wright Street between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. and also at Sacred Heart Parish Center at 1059 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills between 7 and 9

p.m. A simple and painless 60-second test will be performed by pricking the finger and drawing a blood sample to determine your blood sugar level.

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- 2 slices bread with butter, margarine or mayonaise

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Among the guests expected to attend are State Sen. Alan Sisitsky, Springfield City Councillor Rose Marie Coughlin, Westfield Mayor Garreth Lynch, County Commissioner Richard Thomas, and Agawam Town Councillor Dennis Roberts.

Also Rudy Altobelli, chairman of the Agawam Democratic Town Committee, Norman Crowley of the Southwick Democratic Town Committee, West Springfield Selectman Thomas Grucci, and Southwick civic leader Dante Molta.

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# Editorials



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### To The Editor:

As a former public servant for the Town of Agawam, and having served in public office with Edward W. Connelly, I feel qualified and obligated, in behalf of all the citizenry which he represents, to speak in behalf of his candidacy to re-election to the State House of Representatives.

As an incumbent, many of us believe he has been unjustly and unduly criticized for a task well done in Boston and elsewhere. Each of us should well understand that there is no living person who has not made some mistakes or has not pleased all of the people all of the time. This is especially true of those in public office who rate real well if they can satisfy 60% of their constituents.

To be destructive is cowardly. To be constructive is honorable. Let us then honor a man who has served us so well for so long. In the political field, Ed Connelly is a "natural." By this I mean he has the inherent physical, mental, and emotional qualities of a leader. This he has proven time and time again. The proof is evident when we observe the distinction he has earned and received in Boston. His selection as "Legislator of the Year" by the Mass. Board of Selectmen serves further to enhance his candidacy for re-election. These and ever so many more accomplishments give him top rating in the House of Representatives.

With this record, it is difficult to match him as an opponent. To choose other than Ed Connelly in November is to "take a chance." Representing us should not be a "guessing game." It should be a sure and certain action to send our best to Boston.

It irks me no end when Mr. Connelly's opponents persist in evading the issues. These same opponents recite over and over the things which they think you would like to hear, always praying to excite your attention toward your personal relief. Certainly all of us would like to have lower real estate taxes, less welfare, no excise bills, no unemployment, better business conditions, etc., but to support anyone's candidacy who proposes "Utopia" with his election, must also propose constructively how he will accomplish these ends.

You and I have been deceived for so many years by so many politicians who have made so many impossible promises and then, when elected, have proceeded to alibi the reasons for their

failure. We cannot survive on false and worthless promises.

What each of us should strive for is a "sure thing." We have that hope in the person of Ed Connelly. Examine his record of attendance, his record of honesty, his willingness to serve all of the people all of the time, and we can use the verbiage of the Dutch Amish when we quote, "We know what good is." Sincerely,

George L. Reynolds.

### To The Editor:

The next time the assessor comes to our homes, they're going to be assessed and taxed at a full 100%. This is one of the most critical issues facing Massachusetts residents. 100% valuation will affect everyone - whether homeowner or renter. It will significantly raise residential property taxes and rents. Elderly, widowed, and disabled veteran homeowners will lose substantial amounts of the property tax abatements they now receive!

The major effect of 100% valuation will be to shift the property tax burdens off of the businesses and onto homeowners. Under 100% valuation, \$265 million now paid by business and industry would be paid by homeowners and tenants. Taxes are going to skyrocket everywhere! Some homeowners will be forced to sell their homes because they can't afford increases of 25%, 50%, and more!

But alas, there is an alternative! It's Question 1 on the November ballot. The Classification Amendment. Classification is simple and fair. All property will be divided into 4 classes - Open Space Land will be taxed at 25% of market value; Residential at 40%; Commercial at 50% and industrial at 55%.

This proposal will not increase property taxes for anyone - nor will it decrease them. But, it WILL take the blow out of 100% valuation - and that is our most immediate need! It's the first step!

I urge all voters to take 5 minutes of their day on Tuesday, November 7th to vote YES on Question 1. If Question 1 passes, it will amend the 100% law - soften its blow - eliminate its disastrous effects! We owe it to our elderly, to our children,

to our disabled veterans, to ourselves! We will ALL be paying for a long, long time if the Classification Amendment is defeated. IT'S NOT JUST AN ELECTION - IT'S SURVIVAL!!

Sincerely,  
Dorothy Della-Giustina  
469 Corey St., Agawam

### Letter to the Editor

As a resident of Agawam I have some serious concerns about consequences of the possible closing of the Agawam Center Library.

I realize economics considerations will be a major factor in making the final decision regarding the center's future. I feel other factors that concern me need to be weighed carefully, also. I believe the elderly from the nearby Senior Citizens residential complex and the young people attending Phelps School will be greatly affected.

Many of the nearby senior citizens now have easy access to the Center Library and utilize it to enrich their minds and avoid boredom. To take this away from them would be unfair and insensitive.

Young people from Phelps School have easy and safe access to the library since it is only a block away. They rely heavily on the library to provide them with books and reference materials not available in the school's library. Some students find more advanced and challenging books available to them at the Center Library. I believe our young people need as much opportunity for mental stimulation as can be made available to them.

I believe the greatest benefit of the Agawam Center Library is in its present location, making it easily accessible to a large group of very important people - our senior citizens and our young, future leaders.

My hope is that the Library's full operation and location can be maintained for the reasons mentioned. If it is not possible to continue its operation on the same scale, I would hope it could stay where it is and be modified to meet the needs of the senior citizens and the young people utilizing it to enhance their lives and their education.

Helen Auton

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## Sign-ups for Free Firewood Temporarily Halted

This notice is to inform the townspeople of Agawam that the turnout for free firewood was so great that we find we cannot cut and prepare the wood fast enough to supply the demand. At this time, we are booked for the next three weeks and will stop accepting names. In the very near future, we will post in the Advertiser when and how more wood will be available.

In less than one hour, more than 200 people applied. I wish to express my thanks to the CETA people who volunteered to change their work week from Monday through Friday to Tuesday through Saturday to help supply the townspeople with firewood. Also, thanks to the CETA office, which accepted the applications and directed the procedure. I also wish to apologize to the CETA office personnel for some of the rough treatment they had to take from some people who were refused because of a limit set on what could be supplied.

Please note the town yard will be opened to the people who have slips on Saturday, Oct. 21, Oct. 28, and Nov. 4. Please come on the right date to avoid confusion and also to spare us the embarrassment of refusing you.

J. L. Miodowski, Supervisor  
School Maintenance

## Conservation Commission

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Administration Building Hearing Room on Main St. The agenda is as follows:

7:30 Public Hearing - Mark V. Development (installation of water main)  
Extension permit request by Charles Grasso for Hendom Heights Lot 110  
Hampden Fence at 80 Industrial Lane for filling of wetland

Betty Grimaldi for filling of wetland at 616 Suffolk St.  
Dept. of Public Works, Springfield, on Bondi Island Cells 4 through 11; replacement of original order of conditions

On Site Inspections of Grasso Dump, Kanawha Ave., North St. Deep Gutter, Spartan Saw, report by Richard Stapleton

Any other business that may come before the Commission

## Cable TV Committee

There will be a meeting of the Cable TV Committee on October 24th at 3:00 p.m. in the first floor conference room, Municipal Building, 36 Main Street, Agawam.

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

By Pat Guevin



Beginning next week, we will be instituting home delivery via carrier in the Southwick area. Those areas in the town which are too remote for a carrier will continue to receive the Advertiser by mail. This system will improve our service to you, as you folks in Southwick will now receive the Advertiser/News on Tuesday's - if you are on a carrier route.

We hope that you will bear with us for a week or two until the kids have a chance to become familiar with their routes. They have been instructed to place the papers securely on the doorstep, or, better yet, in between the door. They are not allowed to use the mailboxes or any other newspaper receptacle, so please don't ask them to put your paper anywhere but where we have instructed them. Also, some children are afraid of dogs, particularly the large, vicious kind that run loose. The kids have been told that they do not have to deliver to any house where an animal makes it impossible for the child to reach the doorstep.

If you have any questions or problems with delivery, please contact us immediately at 786-7747 between the hours of noon and 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday ONLY.

Next week will be our special election issue in which we will list the candidates and questions that will appear on the November 7 ballot. We hope to provide you with enough information to help you on election day. You'll have all the information, hopefully to make an informed decision - all you have to do is VOTE.

## Town Hall Bulletin Board

### Board of Health

The Agawam Board of Health will hold a meeting on October 26th at 7:45 p.m. in the Health Department office. The agenda is as follows:

- 1) Roll call
- 2) Minutes of Oct. 12 meeting
- 3) Director of Nurses report
- 4) Health Director's report
- 5) Old Business
- 6) New Business
- 7) Adjournment

### Last Call for 1979 Sewer Connections

The Agawam Department of Public Works announces that October 31, 1978 is the last date for applying for sanitary sewer connections, water connections, water connection renewals, or storm drain connections for installation prior to this winter. Connections applied for after October 31 will not be installed until the spring of 1979.

## School Committee

The Agawam School Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 24, 1978 in the Superintendent of School's office, Agawam Jr. High School, Springfield Street. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and is open to the public.

### Fall Clean Up

#### Schedule

The Agawam Department of Public Works wishes to announce to Agawam residents that the annual Fall Clean Up will be conducted from October 23 through Nov. 2. Materials to be collected are solid wastes, including but not limited to rubber tires, automobile parts, demolition waste, plumbing fixtures, furniture, mattresses, bedsprings, refrigerators, stoves, water heaters, metal pipes, and other bulky wastes. Materials specifically EXCLUDED from this collection are rubbish, garbage, automobile chassis, bodies, and motors, tree stumps, branches, brush, lawn clippings, leaves, and hedge trimmings. Materials to be collected must be on the treebelt by 7 a.m. of the collection day. All small or loose items must be placed in plastic bags or in containers having a maximum capacity of 30 gallons. The schedule of routes are the revised routes which went into effect on October 9, 1978 and are as follows: Oct. 23, route 5; Oct. 24, route 6; Oct. 25, route 7; Oct. 26, route 8; Oct. 30, route 1; Oct. 31, route 2; Nov. 1, route 3; Nov. 2, route 4.

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# A Horse, A Horse - My Kingdom for a Horse!

by Rita White

If Richard the III had been in Agawam at Crowley's Commission Sales on Thursday night, he could have had his pick of horses from a field that seemed unlimited. The horse auction at Crowley's has been a weekly event now for almost ten years. It is conducted year round and is the largest

The horse auction is open to anyone wanting to buy or sell. Anyone with a horse to sell can simply take it to Crowley's on the day of the auction where it will be assigned a number and be put up for auction. The sale will be made on a commission basis. In order to assure that these

off - from old-fashioned sleighs to buggies and wagons. Again, anyone interested can buy and sell any of these types of horse equipment, also to be sold on a commission basis. The crowd at Crowley's on a Thursday night is as varied as the items being auctioned. You'll find farmers, horse



"Hey Doc!" Is that the smallest needle you have?" is what this just sold horse seems to be asking the inspector as he draws the blood sample. photo by Jack Devine.

auction of its type in the Northeast, and perhaps the whole East Coast. People come to Crowley's to buy and sell from as far away as Florida, Tennessee, and Virginia just to name a few places outside of New England.

Dennis Crowley, owner, tells us that an average night at auction sees as many as two hundred horses pass under the auctioneer's gavel. There have been nights when the auction has lasted right through the night. The type and breed of horse is as unlimited as the number. You can see just about any kind of horse you're interested in - ponies, thoroughbreds, quarterhorses, Morgans, Pintos, trotters, right on up to the classic Percheron or draft horse.

horses are not carrying any diseases and are, in fact, in good health, there is a federal inspector present whose function is to draw a sample of blood from each horse sold. This then makes the sale legal and final.

The auction isn't restricted just to horses either. Before the bidding on the horses starts, there are a variety of items, mostly for use with horses, put up for auction. During this time, you are likely to see anything auctioned, such as saddles, horse blankets, stirrups, halters, buggy whips, and any other item you might think of in connection with a horse. Should you own a horse and not want to ride it, but have it pull something, you might even find that being auctioned

breeders, dealers, old people, and wide-eyed little children wishing for their own horse. The regulars are easy to spot; they're known, and some carefree banters slip between items up for sale.

If you're a horse owner, thinking of becoming one, thinking of selling your mare, just have a horse-lover in the family, why not visit Crowley's some Thursday night. If you are looking for something new, Crowley's Saddle Shop is also open during the auction.

## Connelly Wants Voter Approval for Bond Issues

Representative Edward W. Connelly, (R-Agawam) has announced that he will sponsor a bill with the Republican leadership of the House of Representatives for the 1979 legislative session which will require all State bond issues over \$10 million and all local bond issues over a specified amount be placed before the voters for approval. "The time has come for taxpayers to have a say in the millions of dollars in State and Local bond issues," Connelly stated.

"Last year alone, the State approved \$214 million in new bond issues. That amount was in addition to the nearly 3 1/2 billion dollars of State indebtedness and over 2 billion in municipal indebtedness. The taxpayers had no direct input into these decisions, even though their tax dollars will be committed to paying for these debts for years to come," Connelly added.

The current law for the Commonwealth requires two thirds vote of the legislature and gubernatorial approval to authorize new bond issues. In cities, towns, and regional governments, local legislative approval and the executive, if any, can authorize new bond issues. Note: Cities and towns are subject to a statutory "debt limit"; however, over the years, many exemptions have been made to the "limit."

The State and some cities and towns do have a referendum process by which voters can put a bond issue up for a vote. In most cases, the process is not an easy one.

The bill would require voter approval for local bond issues which are either one quarter of one percent (.25%) of the most recent equalized valuation of the local government, or one million dollars, whichever is less.

This is something new for the Agawam Jaycee-ettes. We are having a plant party. It will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 21st at 7:30 at the Captain Leonard House, Main St., Agawam. There is plenty of parking in the rear of the house.

This project is being chaired by Mrs. Iris Copson of Feeding Hills. Remember, Tuesday, Nov. 21st at 7:30 at the Capt. Leonard House. Hope to see you plant lovers there.

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# Southwick



A complete demonstration and an explanation of how students are graded convinced the Southwick School Committee last week that gymnastics should remain a part of the physical education curriculum.

But, committeemen still expressed concern about students unable to cope with the activity and those who refuse to participate.

About 25 freshmen and sophomore students, for whom gymnastics is required, demonstrated activities on the various pieces of equipment used in the course. All the students volunteered for the event, and abilities ranged from the beginner to the advanced gymnast. The demonstration was presented by Athletic Director James Vincent and physical education instructors Robert Lawless and Judith Johnson.

During the demonstration, the instructors pointed out the various ability levels of the students and what would be expected of them to pass the course. According to Vincent, any student who attended the class, dressed and tried to the best of his ability would pass.

"As long as they are willing to do what they are capable of doing, they will pass," Vincent said. "We are asking them (the students) to meet us half way. We take into consideration poor coordination, weight, and emotional factors, but we do expect the kids to come to class and dress for the activity."

## Gymnastics to Remain as Part of P.E. Curriculum

by Linda McQuade

Vincent pointed out that gymnastics is only one area in the total P.E. curriculum, but that its health and skill-related benefits rank high when rated against other sport activities.

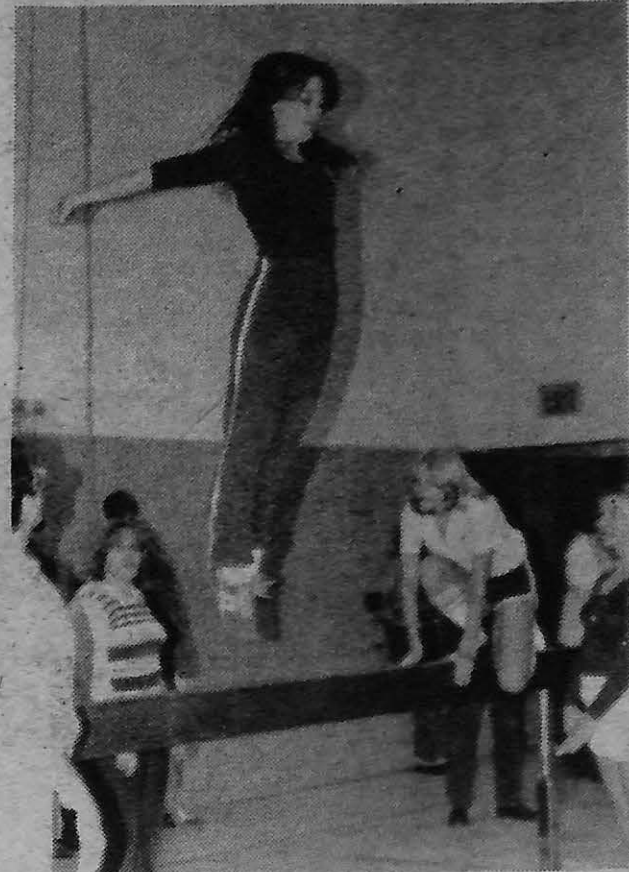
"This whole subject came to light because of the high failure rate in the course," Vincent said. "Right now there are 60 students failing P.E. and 100% of them are failing because they are not dressing for class or because they are cutting class entirely. Professionally, I cannot pass these kids."

Vincent said that after two cuts or no dress shows, a letter goes home informing parents of the situation. "Many times the parents don't respond. Sometimes the parent says he'll talk to the kid, but the next week the kid's still not participating."

High School Principal Alexander Prew said the school was trying to maintain standards, yet still remain flexible enough to deal with those students who fear or cannot cope with a particular P.E. activity.

"The philosophy of our school is conservative," Prew said. "The freshmen and sophomore courses are structured, and particular ability levels are considered within the class structure. When the kids become juniors and seniors, they are allowed to choose electives on the basis of ability and interest."

Vincent reported that students are first exposed to gymnastics at the Powder Mill School level. "When the kids come to high school, it isn't their first time in gymnastics. Between the two schools, there is more money in gymnastics than in anything else we offer."



Students practice in Southwick gymnastics class.

photos by Linda McQuade

"The hang-up has been what to do with the student who isn't capable. We've showed what constitutes a passing attempt in each activity. All we want is the kid to try. We modify our expectations of a student based on his or her ability," Vincent said.

Superintendent of Schools Louis Josselyn said, "I am pleased that the teachers are trying to administer a meaningful program and still maintain standards. These people are trying to offer a good physical education program and still consider the individual abilities of students."

Committeewoman Priscilla Deveno advocated more personal contact between P.E. teachers and parents. "There are ways of being more effective in the department, positively rather than negatively. There should be a philosophy of performance and some public relations from the P.E. staff to get the non-conforming students to participate."

Committeeman Paul Anderson said more consideration is needed when dealing with the student who is unable to cope. "In the academic area, we have 766 and Title I to help the underachiever. We will not be able to resolve this part of the problem without further consideration."

Committee Chairman Kenneth Massey contended that many of the students do not understand the activity and, therefore, refuse to participate.

"We have to maintain our standards," Massey said. "The motor coordination problems seem to have been taken care of by the grading techniques, but the problem of the non-participants remains. I don't think it's the school that's failing in that respect. I think it's the kids and the parents."

## Women's Club Featured Queen's Way

The Southwick Women's Club recently sponsored a "Queen's Way to Fashion" show at the Brass Rail Restaurant on Point Grove Road.

The committee in charge of the event included Shirley Pace, Bertha Wilson, Johni Onderdonk, Marjorie Hughes, Mary Kvarnstrom, and Helen Snow.

Models were Florence Warriner, Irene Surges, Janet D'Amours, Helen Snow, Johni Onderdonk, Shirley Pace, Vivian Hubeck, Candace Valitsky, Marjorie Hughes, Bertha Wilson, June Smith, Mary Kvarnstrom, and Doreen Cieplinski.

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Brian Coffey, front and John Massey, 4th graders from Southwick, admire paper mache Tyrannosaurus Rex which their class made while studying a unit on dinosaurs. Teacher of the class is Kathleen Ardoini. photo by Linda McQuade

## Youth Center Move OK'd

by Linda McQuade

The Southwick Youth Commission has been given the go-ahead to move the Youth Center to a larger facility as long as they obtain funds to offset the rent increase. Selectmen met with the commissioners last week because of an article which appeared in the *Westfield Evening News* stating that the move was already in progress.

"We read the article in the newspaper that you were moving," Selectmen Chairman Nuchi Prifti said. "We're not opposed to the move, but we would like to know something about it."

Commission Chairman Jean Armitage said the board had been considering the move to larger quarters for some time, but admitted that the news item was "pre-mature."

"We are definitely looking into moving," Mrs. Armitage said, "but we were attempting to locate additional funding before making a commitment."

She said the commission was looking into renting the former pet shop located in the same plaza as the present facility, but since that has now become unavailable, they are attempting to secure a portion of the present senior center when that facility becomes available on Nov. 1st. Mrs. Armitage said the rent for that facility would be \$150 a month, \$25 more a month than the present quarters.

She said that the group is applying for a grant from the Children's Committee of the Westfield Area Council for Mental Health and Retardation to cover the increase for the duration of this fiscal year and the additional \$300 would be included in the grant application from the Department of Mental Health.

Youth Center Director Brian Bonner said he anticipated no difficulty in obtaining additional funds from the various sources. "There are now teams which evaluate youth center facilities," Bonner said. "Among the criteria for evaluation is privacy for clients. Our present center does not meet that requirement, but the proposed facility would."

Assistant Director Melissa Cote reported that the center

is now servicing 18 clients and that many of them are involved in making Christmas ornaments to sell at a future fair at Our Lady of the Lake Church to raise money for the center.

In other business, selectmen granted a class III licence to Herbie Blier for a used truck parts shop on Sam West Road and also granted permits for the American Legion Motocross to conduct one race a month from April

to October of next year and to the Minibike Association to conduct five races between May and September.

The board also opened bids for police cruisers from Wolfe Motor Sales of Southwick and Sarat Ford of Agawam. The Wolfe bid was \$11,075 for two Chevrolet Impala sedans. The Sarat bid was \$10,150 for two Ford LTD II's. Both bids included trade-in for the present vehicles and delivery in January.

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SOUTHWICK: Martha Allmon, Home Economics teacher at Powder Mill Elementary School, was honored by Weight Watchers Inc., for drawing the class's attention to the dangers of junk food for one week, after which they wrote of their experiences. Mrs. Allmon received a Certificate of Recognition from Gloria Lundy, Westfield Area Coordinator for Weight Watchers. From Left: Sheila Sponberg, Stephanie Rankin, Mrs. Allmon, Gloria Lundy, Bob Alberti and Christi Carpenter. All of the students are from Southwick.

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Bruce Ogilvie, 4-H director from the Hampden County Extension Service, was in charge of the project. The capons were donated to the Grange in appreciation of sponsorship.

## Community Songfest Schedules Performance

It's almost November and soon the holiday season will be upon us. The Community Songfest Group of Southwick is preparing to spread joy through music during this festive time.

On November 12, the group will perform various musical selections and readings for the senior citizens at Depot Court. Other performances are also being scheduled.

Newcomers to the group are always welcome. Rehearsals are scheduled for the next two Sunday nights at 8 p.m. at Our Lady of the Lake parish hall. Anyone who likes to sing, dance, play musical instruments, or read aloud is invited to attend.

For further information, contact Cindy Clark at 569-5372 or Ginny Cooper at 569-3825.

## Adult Education Classes Planned

Southwick-The Southwick Public Schools is organizing its Adult Evening Program for the winter semester under the direction of James Vincent.

Classes will be conducted from late November through the middle of February. A minimum of 15 students must be enrolled for a class to be conducted. The fee for Southwick residents is \$10.00 and non-residents will be charged \$15.00. Registration and final course offerings will be published in the newspaper, giving dates and times.

Some suggested courses to be offered include typing, creative stitchery, technical and architectural drawing, fundamentals of portrait painting, woodworking, slide developing and making, first aid and CPR, cardio vascular fitness, pre skiing tune-up, sewing, photography, Spanish, effective parenting, patchwork and quilting.

Courses will be offered on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m.

Also, if there is any course not listed which you would be interested in attending or teaching, contact the director at 569-6379 or 569-6171.

## Sophomores to Sponsor Craft Fair

The sophomore class at Southwick High School will sponsor a crafts fair on November 4 in the school cafeteria. Crafts by area artists will be displayed and will be available for purchase.

Any crafts person interested in displaying his work at this event may contact sophomore class advisor Barbara Morin at the high school or at 733-0549. An eight-to-ten foot space is available at a flat rate of \$6. All proceeds from the sale of space will go toward the sophomore class treasury.

The students hope to have on display numerous craft items, including Christmas decorations, macrame, baked goods, dried flower arrangements, and photography. They are also interested in obtaining works from woodworking, leather, and needlework artist.

## Southwick Fire Log

The Southwick Volunteer Fire Department responded to the following emergency calls last week:

10/14/78 Saturday  
 Ambulance, College Highway to Noble Hospital, 9:15 p.m.; Ambulance, Feeding Hills Road to Noble Hospital, 11:50 p.m.

10/15/78 Sunday  
 Ambulance, Buckingham Drive to Noble Hospital, 12:30 a.m.

10/18/78 Wednesday  
 Woods fire off Powder Mill Road

## Prifti Issues Statement on Congamond Project

Nuchi T. Prifti, chairman of the Southwick Board of Selectmen, has issued the following statement concerning the proposed Congamond Lakes project.

"The various news items which have appeared since the public hearing held on June 15th by the Army Corps of Engineers concerning the level control of the Congamond Lakes have completely confused the intent of the proposed project. Statements in these news item which were made by individuals who were not familiar with the actual problem have left the impression that the lake was to be lowered one and a half feet. As a proponent of the proposed project, and having been close to the problem, it is my hope that this statement will clear up this existing confusion.

The most recent inspection and measurement of the lake level revealed that the present level of the lake is the level we wish to maintain. The

proposed spillway and flapgates are to prevent an 18-inch rise above the present level which happens during the spring thaws and hard rain storms. Due to the low gradient and slow run-off of Great Brook, the higher water level remains for several months and, in turn, causes leach field failures, cellar flooding, and shore line erosion.

Due to the low rainfall in recent months, the level has dropped to the level which has alleviated the flooding and erosion problems, yet still provides sufficient depth of water beneath the north and south lake bridges to allow passage of boats. It was also observed that boat docks on both Connecticut and Massachusetts shores have sufficient depth.

I feel confident that the pending impact study will reveal the present level will not only alleviate the flooding and erosion problems, but will also improve the quality of the lake.

## Book Fair at Powder Mill School

The Powder Mill School in Southwick, will sponsor a student book fair on October 31, 1978 and November 1, 1978. Students will be able to browse and purchase books. The book fair will be open during the hours of 8:42 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on both days, and on November 1 during the Open House from 7-9 p.m. Books will be on display in the Powder Mill School library.

The book fair committee invites all students, parents and visitors to attend the fair. The fair will encourage student interest in reading and in building home libraries, and will also contribute to a worthwhile project. Any profits will be used for the Powder Mill Activity Fund.

The Powder Mill Library is sponsoring this event, with Louise Gorham serving as book fair chairman. The committee includes Carol Geryk, Deborah McFerran, Frank Vallon and George LeBlanc.

The book fair display will include attractive new books from many publishers in all price ranges - wonderful books to read or give as gifts. All reading interests will be represented, including classics, fiction, biographies, adventure stories, science, nature, crafts, mystery and reference books. The committee is working with Educational Reading Service, a professional book company, to furnish an individual selection of books for the fair.

### 19/19/78 Thursday

Ambulance, Berkshire Ave. to Noble Hospital, 12:30 a.m.

### 10/20/78 Friday

Ambulance, Oak St. to Noble Hospital, 3:15 a.m.

## Southwick Police Log

10/15/78 Sunday 12:40 a.m.

A vehicle operated by Carl D. Martin, Jr., 23, of 149 Kibbe Rd., East Longmeadow, was travelling west on Feeding Hills Road when it crossed the solid lines and struck an oak tree. The vehicle also knocked over a street sign, a guard rail, a telephone pole guide wire, and a private sign. Investigating officer was Robert Grimaldi.

10/15/78 Sunday 3:51 a.m.

A vehicle operated by Michael Methot, 14, of Fernwood Road was travelling north on College Highway and being pursued by Granby, Conn., and Southwick police. At the intersection of Feeding Hills

Road, the vehicle began zigzagging across the highway several times before coming to rest in the parking lot of Lounge 202. The vehicle was owned by Robert Maule of Hartford Ave., East Granby, Conn. Methot was cited for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, driving to endanger, no license, and failing to stop for a police officer. Investigating officer was Roger Cataldo.

10/15/78 Sunday 11:20 a.m.

A vehicle operated by John R. Bylenki Jr., 17, of 71 Silkey Rd., North Granby, Conn. was struck in the rear by a vehicle operated by David E. Machesney, 17, of 356 Granville Road. The accident occurred on Vining Hill Road. Investigating officers were Gary Dascanio and Robert Grimaldi. Machesney was cited for speeding.

## School Pictures to be Taken

On Wednesday, October 25, 1978, school pictures will be taken at Powder Mill School. Shortly after the pictures are taken, sample packets will be sent home and they may be purchased if so desired.

The school's Student Advisory Group has also designated the day as the school's first "Dress-Up Day" and are encouraging all students and staff to make a special effort to "dress-up" for the occasion.

To commemorate the occasion, a special desert treat is being offered through the school lunch program.



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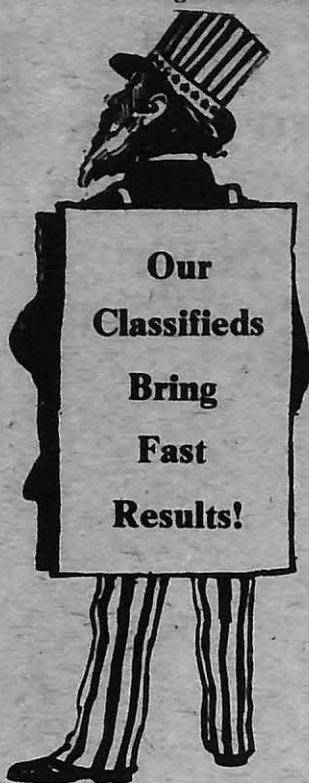


In the next few weeks, I want to give you some idea just how many plants are available to grow in your home no matter what type of light exposure you have in your windows. First, I need to explain just what mean by exposures. There are four basic ones: north, south, east, west. The northern exposure receives the least light and the least heat year round. Northern light is fairly constant throughout the day, and there is less variation than with the other three exposures. The eastern exposure receives direct morning light from sunrise to near mid-day. As morning progresses, the direct light leaves the room. This happens sooner if there are eaves or overhangs outside the window. The east is cooler than the southern or western exposure because the house has absorbed less radiant heat. There is a large seasonal variation in southern light. During the summer months when the sun is high in the sky, no direct sunlight will come in the window, but the light level is very intense. During the winter, the southern sunlight streams into the window, but at a low intensity. Western exposures have the highest summer temperatures. Photosynthesis does not occur at temperatures above 85 degrees.

Prolonged heat in a western window will kill some plants.

Back to the north. Because of the low light level in the north exposure, maintaining healthy plants can be a challenge. Plants grown especially for their green foliage will tolerate a north window. If you are growing plants in a north window and they become leggy, move them to an east window. The following are some plants that will do fairly well in a north window: Asparagus fern, Baby's tears, Cast iron plant, Chinese evergreen, Creeping charlie, Dracaena, Dumb cane, Ferns, Grapeivy, Sansevieria, Fittonia, Norfolk island pine, Palms, Peperomia, Philodendron, Pothos, Prayer plant, Rubber tree, Spider plant, Wandering Jew, and many more. If you place any of these plants within one foot of the window, they will be getting the maximum light of a north window. However, if you place plants from one to three feet from the window, they will be getting such a reduced light that they will suffer greatly and may die. Good luck to your plants in a north window, and don't forget to keep an eye on the other windows for new additions you might wish to add when next week rolls around.

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Mackey further explained you need not wait for a notice to renew. "For whatever the reason, if the license or

registration date is near and you haven't been notified, go to any Registry office and renew," said Mackey. He also advised that registration renewal decals be affixed to plates as soon as they are issued.

Driving with an expired license or registration can get you a fine up to \$25. Also, your car may be impounded and you may be arrested.

License renewals must be done in person at any Registry office. The fee is \$10 and the license is renewed for four years. License renewals are available during regular hours

at all Registry offices and Saturday mornings from 9 to noon at the Boston Registry.

Registration renewals may be done by mail; however, mail transactions must be started at least four weeks in advance of the expiration date. Registration renewal fees differ depending on

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## Haunted House

The ghosts and ghouls at the March of Dimes Haunted House have been working nights to get the old place in shape, reports Sherrie Isaacs and it's finally ready.

The Haunted House will officially open its creaking doors at sundown 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20th. It will run

fire station

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cover all overtime. His proposal also calls for a 6% increase in pay for the E.M.T.A.s.

Junie Fontana, president of the firemen's union, expressed concern over the ambulance operation with the present number of available men. He said that more personnel would be needed to man the ambulance without cutting into the manpower requirements of the present staff.

Council President Richard Theroux said, "the council is in agreement that this is a positive step towards lowering the taxes." He noted that this is the first step the town has taken to lower its tax base and that if the public goes along with this, and future administrative cutbacks, the taxpayers should see a substantial savings.

The final part of the proposal as set forth by the three men, is the anticipated construction of a fire-police complex building. Caputo indicated that "a new building would contribute greatly to the efficiency of both departments, i.e. common dispatching services. He noted that by combining many of the needs of the two departments, a streamlined, public safety team can be formed at no additional cost to the taxpayer, and hopefully at a substantial savings in tax monies.

Police Chief Stanley Chmielewski concurred with the reports findings, and said that since his main concern is and has always been the safety of the people of Agawam, the new system would create a more efficient, high level emergency effort using both the police and fire departments to their fullest potential.

through Oct. 31st. Weekday hours are from 4 to 9 p.m., weekend hours from 2 to 9 p.m.

Located at 60 School Street, Springfield, the House will have a total of eight rooms. These include the Mr. Some Bodies Back room, the Lizzie Borden Room, the Witches Chamber, the Illusion Room, the Cemetery Room, the Mummies Tomb, the Torture Room, and the Maze.

Local high school drama groups are responsible for decorating and staffing the various rooms. Participating

schools are Classical, Cathedral, West Springfield, Agawam, Tech, Longmeadow, and Chicopee Comp.

In addition to providing fun, thrills, and excitement for all, the March of Dimes Haunted House is also a very important fund-raising event. Proceeds benefit prevention of birth defects through support of March of Dimes research, medical service, and education programs. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12.

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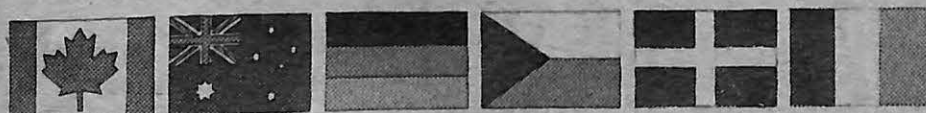
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## 'Snake' to Speak at Awards Night

Agawam's Mike "Snake" Riley, one of the most acclaimed pitchers in recent Western Massachusetts baseball history, will be the guest speaker at the annual John L. Sullivan-Daily News Awards Night scheduled for Wednesday, October 25 at the Holy Name Social Center.

The "Snake" was drafted by the Minnesota Twins organization last summer after pitching his way to Western Mass. stardom and his high school to the finals of the Western Mass. championship tournament. Riley completed his first year in pro-baseball with the Elizabethton Twins, finishing the season at a 3-1 mark.

Two longtime associates of the John L. Sullivan-Daily News Sandlot Tournament, Fred Hoarle and Richard Serafino, will receive awards honoring each individual's endeavors toward the tournament. Serafino will be honored with the annual Francis Keough Award and Hoarle, with the John L. Sullivan Memorial Award.

The end-of-the-year banquet will honor all coaches that participated in the past year's sandlot program, with the coaches who won division championships being honored in particular. All coaches are invited.

## Sportsmen's Corner



North Eastern Bass Association recently held its Tournament of Champions on Lake George, Bolton Landing, New York. There were forty two of the best Pro Bass anglers in the northeast participating, among them the Top Massachusetts Qualifier Larry Allard, Connecticut's best Hank Millard, Number one in Vermont, John Wise, and Bass Pro Ed Priesser from New York. These were the anglers to watch out for, for they had proved their skill all through the season as the Top Bass Pros in their respective states on the N.E.B.A. Tournament Trail.

The two day tournament was tough, the elusive Mr. Bass didn't want to cooperate, and Mother Nature lent her helping hand with a cold front the night before the tournament.

Two thousand three hundred dollars (\$2,300) in cash and prizes were at stake with one thousand dollars (\$1,000) going to the first place winner. Forty two of the best in the east were trying their best to be Number One.

The first day took its toll when only twenty four anglers brought in fish, but you can't dampen the spirits of a "Pro" and "to morrow was another day." As the final Bass were weighed in and scores were tallied, we had out "Champion", the Northeast Best Pro Bass Angler on the N.E.B.A. Tournament Trail - Ed Priesser, Schodack Landing, New York, with a total catch for the two days of 14 lbs. 6 1/2 oz. Second place went to another New York

angler, Don Wood. Eugene Bielawa from Troy, New York did a super job for third place, and Charlie Jutras of Agawam, came in fourth place and captured first place for Massachusetts, proving that not only is he a pro on the Bowling Circuit, but his skill as an angler is unquestionable. Roy Laffee of Dalton, Mass. came in fifth. Rounding out the Top Ten were Doug Eriquez, Conn., sixth place, Al Dwyer, New York, seventh, Don Sniffin, Mass., eighth, Jay Stolberg, Mass., ninth place, and Jim Gorden, Mass. tenth place. Tournament Lunker went to Don Wood with a five pound largemouth. There were seventy six fish caught during the tournament and seventy one were released alive. Total weight, for the two day tournament was 131 lbs. 6 1/2 oz.

North Eastern Bass Association holds qualifying tournaments during the season to determine the top fishermen in their state. There are also N.E.B.A. Chapters for the benefit of the professional angler as well as those who would like to know more about Bass fishing and good wholesome sportsmanship. For more information, write N.E.B.A., P.O. Box 82, Indian Orchard, Ma. 01151.

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**Intramural  
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The Southwick Powder Mill School intramural soccer program will continue this fall under the leadership of Kip Fuller, former soccer player at Southwick High. Having started Sept. 18, the schedule calls for approximately five weeks of practices after school Monday through Thursday involving instructional skills, conditioning, and short scrimmages in which all students, male and female, are invited to attend. The program then culminates with a six-game schedule featuring an all-star team which will be chosen from the students displaying the best aptitude, attendance, and desire.

"The turnout has been good, with about 25-30 students on an average," says Mr. Fuller, "but we had hoped for better. The idea is to get the kids who aren't necessarily varsity-bound to enjoy themselves while learning some skills. On the whole, the progress has been outstanding!"

The schedule is as follows: Oct. 23, Home vs. Southwick High JV; Oct. 24, Home vs. Gateway; Oct. 25, Home vs. Granby, Mass.; Oct. 30, Away vs. Granby, Mass.; Nov. 1, Away vs. Gateway; Nov. 2, Away vs. Southwick High JV.

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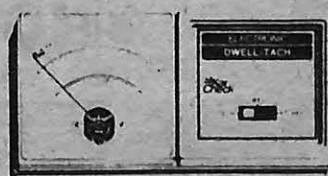
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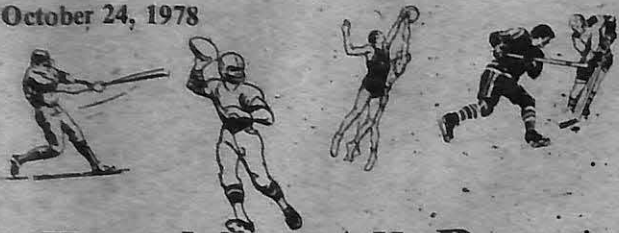
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# Touching All Bases

by Dan Maruszczak Jr.

GRID GAB - Agawam's Mike B'Shara is now ranked third in the Western Mass. Division I scoring race with seven TD's to his credit...He ranked first on the list for three weeks...The Brownie senior has racked up a combination of 42 points going into last Saturday's game...Going into last Saturday's game, the Brownies were 4-1 overall, accumulating a 3-1 mark in the AA Conference tallying up 65 points...Ahead of Agawam in AA competition was Westfield, undefeated as of last Saturday.

TEE TALK - Congratulations out to Agawam's Phil Butler, who took first place in the MorningUnion's 44th annual Hole-In-One Tournament held at Ludlow Country Club's notorious 140-yard 4th hole. Phil, a sophomore at Agawam High, capped the Men's Division with a drive ending 2 feet, 10 inches from the cup. He used a 6 iron to top the men's field, which started at 7 a.m. Monday.

HERE AND THERE - Make sure you fill out your ballot for the "Outstanding Athlete Award," which is in this week's edition of this newspaper...Who ever said that Mondays had to be boring? Catch "WKRP in Cincinnati" at 8 p.m. on CBS...Congrats to Mrs. Dorothy Martin and the entire Agawam High Mirror staff who have inked and circulated their first edition of the school year...Mrs. Martin, journalism teacher and

advisor to the Mirror staff at AHS, worked long and hard with the publication's staff for the successful finished product...The Western Mass. gridiron scene is quickly approaching the half-way mark in this year's season, so get out and catch some of the schoolboy action before it's too late...

KNOCK ON WOOD DEPT. - The Bowling Proprietors Association of America and Miller Brewery are supposedly teaming up to put on the greatest doubles tournament ever presented...It's estimated that the prize money to be given away will top \$1 million...All the details have not been set yet, here are a few that could get your

mouth watering for some tournament bowling next spring. Each state will run local events with prizes at that level and state finals winners gaining an all-expense paid trip to the national finals at the MGM Grand Hotel. First place will be worth \$50,000, second place, \$25,000.

SLAP SHOTS - Stay tuned for part two of Agawam Brownie hockey, as the schoolboy stickmen will begin camp in about seven weeks...Coach Bill Sapelli will return for this season's shootout, with the team hoping to maintain its Fay Division and Western Mass. crowns...This year's \$65,000 question - Will the Brownies be back with Fay or moved to a new division?

HERE AND THERE, PART II - Gordie Howe for State Senator...Another \$65,000 question - Can the Springfield Indians come out a winning team this season?...If you think Rick LeClerc's good in football, wait till you see him behind the plate for the 1979 Brownie baseball team.

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"October's cooler days and colder nights mean more driving with car windows closed. Since carbon monoxide is an odorless killer that can seep into a closed car, motorists should be warned to get an exhaust system check-up now to protect themselves, their families, and their passengers."

This is the kind of check, according to Sgt. Longhi, that should be made by a competent mechanic. Other kinds of fanbelt to tailpipe winterizing checks were also recommended by the Safety Officer. These are endorsed by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards.

**BRAKES** - You need equal braking on all wheels to avoid a skid on slick roads. Have brakes checked. Reline if necessary.

**TIRES** - Good tires with good treads are important all year long, but especially so on snowy and icy pavements.

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**TUNE-UP** - Important for dependable starts on cold mornings. Also, erratic engine behavior can cause skidding or wheel-spins on winter slick roads. In addition to timing and plugs, have the mechanic check your battery, the entire electrical and heater-defroster systems. Anti-freeze and windshield washer fluid must offer adequate protection for the coldest temperatures you'll encounter.

**VISIBILITY ITEMS** - Replace dead or cracked windshield wiper blades. If wipers streak in rain, they can't do a good job when they must clean snow or sleet from a cold windshield.

Be sure all vehicle lights are working and that lenses are kept clean. Good lighting is critical when winter reduces visibility and increases stopping distances.

**EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT** - Safety gear in your trunk should include: booster cables, tire chains in good repair, sand, rock salt and a traction mat, a shovel, safety flares or reflectors, a tow chain, cable, or strap, extra windshield washer solvent, a window scraper and paper towels, heavy gloves, and extra winter clothing.

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(as of October 22)

| 6-8 Division       | W | L | T | PTS |
|--------------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Piccoli's Tornados | 4 | 0 | 0 | 8   |
| Impoco's Kickers   | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5   |
| Puskey's Teamen    | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3   |
| Moccio's Cosmo's   | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0   |

| 9-13 Division        | W | L | T | PTS |
|----------------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Ayalo's Cosmo's      | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10  |
| LaGrange's Diplomats | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5   |
| Nickerson's Kickers  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5   |
| Wheelock's Express   | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0   |

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|                      |   |   |   |    |
|----------------------|---|---|---|----|
| DePalma's Packers    | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Tessicini's Redskins | 3 | 2 | 0 | 6  |
| Bonavita's Bears     | 2 | 3 | 0 | 4  |
| Brown's Giants       | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0  |

## Girls Varsity Soccer Team Beats East Longmeadow 3-1

by Joanne Anderson and Lori Woodruff

The Agawam girls soccer team came to another victory last week over East Longmeadow. The girls record is now 4-5-2 in the league.

Agawam played very strong in the first quarter and got their first goal in the middle of the quarter by Donna Regnier who plays wing. The assist was by Laurel Masi. Donna squeezed the ball in between the pole and the goalie.

During the second quarter both teams played well and it ended in a 1-0 lead for Agawam at halftime. The third quarter was a tense one. East Longmeadow got a goal and tied the score. A few minutes later, though there was a handball in East Longmeadow's penalty area. Lisa Impoco, playing center halfback came down to take

the shot and sure enough, the ball just whizzed right by the goalie giving Agawam the lead again.

In the fourth quarter the Agawam girls hit them hard by making one more goal a few minutes into the quarter leaving the score at 3-1. After doing a good job through the whole game of setting everyone else up for shots, it finally paid off for Laura Gendron when Kathy Chase passed the ball over for the final goal.

Coach Stevens thought Lee Harvey and Laura Gendron played good throughout the game. It was a real team effort as everyone fought aggressively and the team came through with a win.

We still need the support of the fans, so if you have nothing to do, and even if you don't, we'd like to see you at the game.

## Welcome to my World

by Charles J. Duclos

Another weekend of soccer has drawn to a close with Agawam's Junior High team tripping Longmeadow 1-0. Davey Jenks scored the goal to give Coach Dave Smith's team its third win of the season.

Saturday afternoon Bill O'Brien's girls 12 and under team cozily coasted to a 4-0 win over the Holy Cross Stars. Dripping goals for O'Brien's Warriors were Lisa Chevalier, Michelle Quaglini, Diane Goodman, and Jennifer O'Brien. With this game under their belts, the femme fatales of the soccer field moved another notch to clinching first place in the Pioneer Valley Jr. Soccer League. Their record thus far totals 8 wins, 0 losses...and only two games left for this season.

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Sunday evening, October 22nd, the Agawam AA's 12 and under girls' soccer team was entertained by their parents and friends to a pot luck supper. The gala proceedings were held at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills, which has hosted a number of other triple A's sporting events.

The girls were presented trophies by Shari Baldarelli, who has assisted Coach Bill O'Brien throughout the season, for their second place accomplishment in the recent Ludlow Invitational Soccer Tournament. Jerry Mason, AAA's president, commented on the fine job being done by Coach O'Brien and the girls. Mr. Mason also paid special tribute to Shari for the devotion to her assistant coach's position, which she performs so well. Noting that Miss Baldarelli is herself a player on Agawam High's Varsity Soccer team, she nevertheless makes practices and games and lends her expertise to the younger members of the community. We need more young people of Shari's quality.

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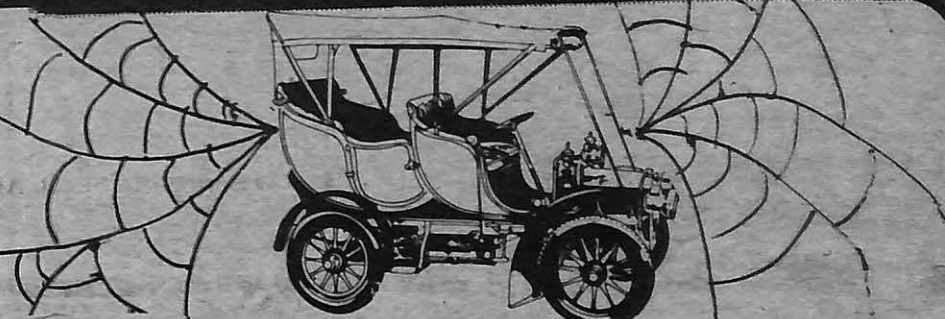
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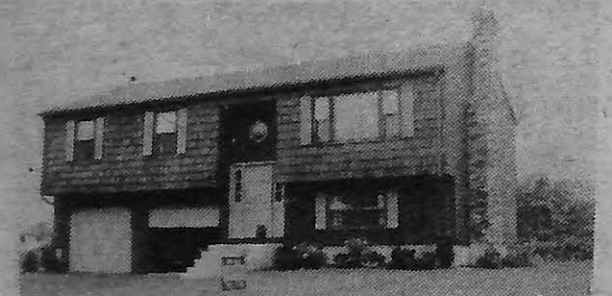
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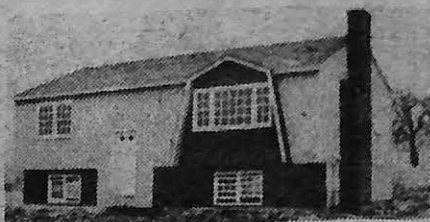
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Mr. Longo was impressed with the caliber of the week-long course and is looking forward to growth of his staff because of his affiliation with Century 21.

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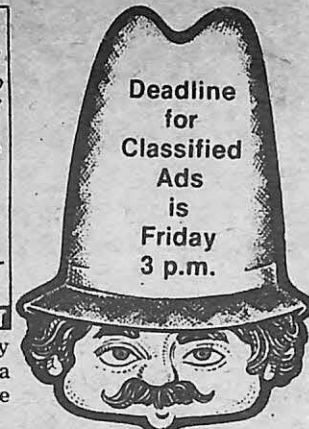
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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help develop the curriculum for the Westover Occupational Resource Collaborative. A volunteer Advisory Committee will be formed with people who have expertise in the following areas: Automotive Mechanics, Auto Body Repair, Metal Machining, Graphic Arts, Culinary Arts, Allied Health, Metal Fabrication, Carpentry, Electrical Installation, Radio and TV including a major component of Basic Electronics, Office Simulation with a major emphasis on Data Processing, Building and Grounds Maintenance. Please indicate your interest in serving by letter to the Superintendent of Schools, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA. 01030.

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